

## House Resolution 508

By: Representatives Smith of the 168<sup>th</sup>, Richardson of the 19<sup>th</sup>, Sims of the 169<sup>th</sup>, and Coleman of the 144<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Commending and congratulating Joe Sports; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Joseph A. "Joe" Sports was the recipient of a Lifetime Achievement Award in  
3 the course of the annual Golden Pigeon Dinner, a significant honor bestowed by his friends  
4 and fellow public affairs consultants; and

5 WHEREAS, he was associate editor of The Douglas Enterprise, and news/promotion director  
6 of WALB-TV, Albany; and

7 WHEREAS, he began a successful public affairs firm more than 30 years ago and is  
8 publisher of Georgia Beat, Georgia's oldest political newsletter; and

9 WHEREAS, he provided outstanding leadership as executive director of the Democratic  
10 Party of Georgia during the administrations of Governor Maddox and Governor Carter and  
11 served with distinction as administrative assistant to United States Senator David Gambrell  
12 and as a valuable staff member for four members of the United States House of  
13 Representatives from Georgia: Iris F. Blicht, Bill Stuckey, Billy Evans, and Dawson Mathis;  
14 and

15 WHEREAS, Mr. Sports has in the course of his duties often provided representation before  
16 the Georgia General Assembly and its committees; and

17 WHEREAS, he has always adhered to the highest standards of conduct; has displayed great  
18 energy, intelligence, ability, and dedication to the betterment of the State of Georgia; has  
19 been highly respected by members of the House of Representatives; and is well known by  
20 the members for his integrity, courtesy, wisdom, and wit; and

21 WHEREAS, he has always been a true friend to the members of the House and in every way  
22 is an outstanding example of all that is best in the field of governmental and public affairs.

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
2 the members of this body commend and congratulate Joe Sports for his many achievements  
3 and extend hearty wishes for many more years of personal and business success.

4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
5 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Joe Sports.